# COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION OF THE	)	
PROPOSED POLE ATTACHMENT TARIFFS OF	)	CASE NO.
KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY AND	)	2025-00391
LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY	)	

#### ORDER

On November 26, 2025, Louisville Gas and Electric Company (LG&E) and Kentucky Utilities Company (KU) (collectively LG&E/KU) filed amendments to their respective pole attachment pursuant to 807 KAR 5:015, as amended. LG&E/KU proposed an effective date of December 3, 2025, for each of their tariffs.

KRS 278.030 provides that a utility may collect fair, just and reasonable rates and that the service it provides must be adequate, efficient and reasonable. Having reviewed the proposed tariffs and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that an investigation is necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed tariffs and that such investigation cannot be completed by December 3, 2025. Because LG&E/KU did not comply with the tariff filing provisions in 807 KAR 5:015, and, pursuant to KRS 278.180, the earliest their tariffs could go into effect is December 26, 2025, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), the Commission will, therefore, suspend the effective date of the proposed tariffs for five months, up to and including May 26, 2026.

The Kentucky Broadband and Cable Association (KBCA) has previously filed objections to LG&E/KU's proposed tariffs. The Commission finds that, for the sake of administrative efficiency, KBCA shall be made a party to this proceeding.

The Commission directs all parties to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085<sup>1</sup> in which the Commission mandated the use of electronic filing procedures listed in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8. The Commission finds that electronic filing procedures shall be used, consistent with the filing procedures set forth in Case No. 2020-00085.

The Commission further finds that a procedural schedule should be established to review the reasonableness of the proposed tariff. The procedural schedule is attached as an Appendix to this Order and is incorporate herein.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. This proceeding is established to investigate the reasonableness of the proposed tariffs.
- 2. The proposed tariffs of LG&E/KU are suspended for five months from December 26, 2025, up to and including May 26, 2026.
  - 3. KBCA is made a party to this proceeding.
- 4. All parties shall, by counsel, enter an appearance in this proceeding within seven days of the date service of this Order. The entry of appearance shall include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and electronic mail address of counsel.
- 5. Unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, the procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, related to service and electronic filing of papers shall be followed in this proceeding.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID* 19 (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

- 6. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8(9), within seven days of the date of service of this Order, all parties shall file by electronic means a written statement that it waives any right to service of Commission Orders by United States mail and that it or its authorized agent possess the facilities to receive electronic submissions.
  - 7. Unless a party granted leave to intervene states its objection to the use of electronic filing procedures in a motion for intervention, the party shall:
- a. Be deemed to have consented to the use of electronic filing procedures and the service of all papers, including Orders of the Commission, by electronic means; and
- b. Within seven days of the date of service of an order of the Commission granting intervention, file with the Commission a written statement that:
- (1) It or its authorized agent possesses the facilities to receive electronic transmissions; and
- (2) Sets forth the electronic mail address to which all electronic notices and messages related to this proceeding shall be served.
- 8. Unless a party granted leave to intervene states its objection to the use of electronic filing procedures in a motion for intervention, the party shall:
- 9. If a party objects to the use of electronic filing procedures and the Commission determines that good cause exists to excuse that party from the use of electronic filing procedures, service of documents on that party and by that party shall be made in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(8).
- 10. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed.

- 11. As set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11)(a), a person requesting permissive intervention in a Commission proceeding is required to demonstrate either (1) a special interest in the proceeding, which is not adequately represented in the case, or (2) that the person requesting permissive intervention is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings. Further, KRS 278.040(2) requires that a person seeking intervention must have an interest in the rate or service of a utility, as those are the only matters that are subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Therefore, any person requesting to intervene in a Commission proceeding must state with specificity the person's special interest that is not otherwise adequately represented, or the issues and facts the person will present that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter. A mere recitation of the quantity of utility service consumed by the movant or a general statement regarding the potential impact of possible modification of rates will not be deemed sufficient to establish a special interest. In addition, any motion to intervene after the date established in the procedural schedule shall also show good cause for being untimely. If the untimely motion is granted, the movant shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.
- 12. LG&E/KU shall give notice of the hearing in compliance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(b). In addition, the notice of hearing shall include the following statements: "This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed by connecting to the YouTube link posted on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov" the day of the hearing, and "Public comments may be made at the beginning of the hearing. Those wishing to provide public comments may do so by arriving at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, before

the start of the hearing. At the time the notice is mailed or publication is requested, LG&E/KU shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

- 13. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimonies shall be permitted.
- 14. Pursuant to KRS 278.360 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(9), a digital video recording shall be made of the hearing.
- 15. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions to substitute witnesses or excuse witnesses from testifying at Commission hearings. Accordingly, motions to substitute witnesses or excuse a witness from testifying at a Commission hearing or from testifying in person at a Commission hearing shall be made in writing at least 14 days prior to the hearing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.
- 16. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions for continuance. Accordingly, motions for extensions of times with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.
- 17. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Commissioner

Commissioner

ATTEST:

**Executive Director** 

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

### **APPENDIX**

## APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2025-00391 DATED DEC 2 2025

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